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SENATE COMMITTEES.

The Assignments Agreed Upon by the Republicans.

NAMES OF THE CHAIRMEN CHOSEN.

Senator Stewart, of Nevada, Makes a Vigorous Assault on the "Gold Combine," and Delegate Flynn, of Oklahoma, Assails Secretary Smith.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The Republican caucus committee of the senate completed its work of assigning the majority membership of the senate committee yesterday, and is prepared to report to the Republican caucus this afternoon. The assignment of chairmanships is as follows:

Agriculture, Proctor; appropriations, Allison; audit contingent expenses, Jones (Nev.); census, Chandler; civil service, Pettigrew; claims, Teller; coast defenses, Squire; commerce, Frye; District of Columbia, McMillan; education and labor, Shoup; enrolled bills, Sewell; examination of bonded civil service, Peffer; finance, Morrill; fisheries, Perkins; foreign relations, Sherman; immigration, Lodge; improvement Mississippi river, Nelson; Indian affairs, Pettigrew; Indian depredations, Wilson; interstate commerce, Cullom; irrigation, Warren; judiciary, Hoar; library, Hawley; manufactures, Wetmore; military affairs, Hawley; mines and mining, Stewart; naval affairs, Cameron; organization executive departments, Butler; Pacific railroads, Gear; patents, Platt; pensions, Gallinger; postoffice, Wolcott; printing, Hale; privileges and elections, Mitchell (Ore.); public buildings, Quay; public lands, Dubois; railroads, Clarke; relations with Canada, Carter; revision of the laws, Burrows; rules, Aldrich; territories, Davis; transportation routes to seaboard, McBride; University of the United States, Kyle; international expositions, Thurston; to investigate geological survey, Elkins; national banks, Mantle; forest reservations, Allen; trespassers upon Indian lands, Baker; Ford theater disaster, to be filled when the Utah senators come in.

This disposes of the chairmanships of all but eleven committees. The committees undisposed of are known as the minority committees. The Republicans now control them, and they will fall to the Democrats under the new organization. The caucus committee has made provision for the Populist senators, as the Democrats did in the last congress, and have given each of them a chairmanship, giving each the same position held under the Democrats, except Senator Kyle, who is promoted from the chairmanship of the committee on education and labor to that of the University of the United States.

The senate was in session for about two hours yesterday, half of that time being given to Mr. Stewart, of Nevada, in a vigorous assault on the gold "combine." In one respect the senator presented a new phase of the subject, with which his name has been so much identified in senate speeches. He urged that the great depreciation of silver gave to the cheap labor of Asia a tremendous advantage in competing with the domestic products of the American market. Japan, in particular, he said, was profiting by this difference of 50 per cent. between our money and that of Japan, and Japanese merchants were today underselling our home producers in many lines of goods.

An echo of comptroller Bowler's suspension of the sugar bounty payments was heard in the resolution of Mr. Caffrey, of Louisiana, calling on the treasury department for the reasons for the suspension. Postmaster General Wilson's recent order forbidding postal employes from urging postal legislation also came in for attention. Mr. Peffer also rose a comprehensive resolution of inquiry as to the order. Another resolution by Mr. Gallinger calls for information as to the number of aliens in the various governmental branches.

The proceedings in the house were enlivened yesterday by Mr. Flynn, the delegate from Oklahoma, who offered resolutions reciting that provision had been made for the reclamation of Oklahoma lands to the Wichita Indians, providing for the opening of the Cheyenne lands after allotments to homesteaders, and directing the secretary of the interior, "if not incompatible with the public interest, to report to the house the reasons and causes operating to delay the allotment of said lands, and whether any of his connections or relations, official or marriage ones, acting as attorneys for said Indians or any party or parties in any manner in delaying the opening of these said lands to settlement."

The Democrats were not disposed to take any action upon the resolution of inquiry, but Mr. Pickler made a point of order against Mr. Flynn's resolution, which called forth a sharp protest from Mr. Cooper, of Texas. Mr. Wadsworth, of New York, was finally allowed the floor, and his resolution was adopted without discussion. This caused Mr. Flynn to withdraw his attack. At the conclusion of his speech, however, he said that he only meant to thus shut off the opportunity for a further defense of the secretary.

The house agreed to take up to lay the proposition to increase the membership of the principal committees and to create an additional committee on elections in order to facilitate the disposal of the contested election cases. This promises lively debate.

A Worthless Husband's Double Crime.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 17.—Mrs. May Robinson, a pretty woman of 25, was shot at Third and Chestnut streets yesterday by John Robinson, her worthless husband. Two bullets were fired into the woman, one of which penetrated the lung. Though her condition is extremely critical, she may survive. The murderer completed his bloody work by firing a bullet into his own brain, death resulting instantly. Mrs. Robinson, who was a waitress in a Third street restaurant, was universally respected. She had been separated from her husband for some time on account of his worthlessness. She has a little daughter, now with her parents at Burlington, N. J.

A Colony of Crooks.

MORRISTOWN, N. J., Dec. 17.—The police have discovered a gang of degenerates huddled together in the sheds and large coal bins at Stanhope, Morris county. They are wretched Italians, who live like beasts, and have been engaged in sweating and shaving silver coins, filling them up and passing them.

Married a Mere Child.

PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 17.—Demorest Hopper, the famous rifle shot, has shocked his friends and the community by marrying a mere child, May Terhune, of Ridgewood. Hopper is 45 and the bride is scarcely 16, and small for her years.

Statehood for Utah.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Governor West, of Utah, yesterday presented to the president Messrs. Earnes and Sherman, the commissioners appointed to deliver to him a certified copy of the constitution adopted by the new state and a statement of the vote by which the constitution was adopted. The constitution was a gold bound volume encased in morocco. The president has given all the documents to the secretary of state for examination, and if it is found that the proceedings were in accordance with the provisions of the act of congress providing for the admission of the state the president will issue his proclamation declaring Utah to be a member of the family of states. The proclamation will be issued about the first of the new year.

THE NEW YORK TAILORS' STRIKE

Twenty Thousand Workers Will Probably be Involved in the Fight.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—About 10,000 tailors in this city, Brooklyn and Jersey City are locked out. There are 195 shops in the employers' association, and of this number eighty-three have posted the new card, and the rest are expected to follow within a few days, so that 20,000 workmen may be involved, for that is the number controlled by the Garment Workers' Brotherhood in the three cities named.

Benjamin Schweitzer, who is at present in charge of the strike, Harry Jackson, a member of the executive committee of the brotherhood, and a number of others insist that the move of the contractors means an attempt to return to the old task system. This, they claim, means that the contractor becomes virtually the judge as to what constitutes a day's work. He gives an employe, for example, ten garments to do per day, and he has to do them in order to get credit for a day's work, regardless of the time it may take him.

The contract which the employers signed last summer provided that the hands shall work ten hours a day; that they should have their own chairman—who really acted chiefly as a time keeper—in each shop, and that a delegate of the union should have the privilege of examining into the condition of each shop once a month, he being allowed fifteen minutes for the work. The contractors gave bonds in the sum of $100 for each machine. A shop has anywhere from one to twenty-five machines.

The contractors admit the signing of the agreement, but say it was a one sided agreement, and that they will have none of it. Benjamin Wilkosky, the secretary of the employers' association, insists, however, that the agreement has nothing whatever to do with the case. "It simply means," he said, "that we are going to run our own shops. Under the present system we cannot discharge an incompetent man without having the union down on us, and we have resolved to put an end to that sort of thing." Mr. Wilkosky denied that there was any intention to return to the task system, or that there was any lockout.

A Hundred Thousand Dollar Wedding.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 17.—An international event, the most notable of its kind socially, that has ever taken place in St. Louis, was celebrated last evening at the Church of the Messiah, corner of Garrison avenue and Locust street. It was the marriage of Miss Clara Hazel Busch, daughter of Adolphus Busch, the brewer, and Paul Von Gondart, a prominent citizen of Germany. After the wedding there was a banquet, reception and dance at the Southern hotel. The beauty of the bride, the wealth of her father, the station of the groom and the magnificence of the wedding arrangements made the affair one long to be remembered. It is estimated that the wedding arrangements cost Mr. Busch fully $100,000. The gifts were numerous and costly.

Ambrose's Stealings $25,000.

ALTOONA, Pa., Dec. 17.—City Controller Harphan transmitted to councils last night the result of his audit of the books of missing City Solicitor Ambrose. He finds that Ambrose is short $12,605.52. This, with money obtained on notes of his friends and from building association clients, swells his defalcation to about $25,000. His bond to the city is only $5,000. No trace of him has been discovered since he left on Nov. 22. City councils elected George B. Bowers city solicitor for the unexpired term.

The Pacific Cable Company.

TRENTON, Dec. 17.—The Pacific Cable company, with a capital of $2,000,000, was incorporated yesterday under the laws of the state of New Jersey. The company is formed for the purpose of constructing, laying, operating and maintaining an electric sub-marine cable in the Pacific ocean, with telegraph lines and connections for the transmission of messages. The capital stock of the company is divided into 20,000 shares of $100 each. Among the incorporators are Abram S. Hewitt, D. O. Mills, G. M. Dodge, Fred D. Grant and J. J. Hill.

A Thousand Massacred.

ZANZIBAR, Dec. 17.—Advices have been received here that on the night of Nov. 16 a caravan of 1,200 men, en route for Eldoma, was attacked by Chief Massai and his followers, and more than a thousand of the men comprising the caravan were murdered.

Murderer Eckert Sentenced to Death.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 17.—Abram J. Eckert, convicted of the murder of Frederick Bittenbender, was yesterday sentenced by Judge Woodward to be hanged. The prisoner declined to make any statement.

The Weather.

For eastern New York, eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey: Fair; winds shifting to southeasterly; warmer tonight.

NUGGETS OF NEWS.

Dec. 26 has been decided upon as Negro Day at the Atlanta exposition.

B. M. Kitchen, ex-member of congress from the Second West Virginia district, died at Martinsburg, W. Va., aged 83.

Squire Jones, colored, charged with barn burning, was taken from the lockup at Courtland, Ala., and shot dead.

Sentence to death was pronounced at Boston on Angus D. Gilbert, the murderer of little Alice Sterling.

The New Foundland schooner Argonaut, which left St. John's for Halifax twenty-eight days ago, is probably lost with all on board.

Bob Fitzsimmons has signed articles for a finish fight with Peter Maher at or near El Paso, Tex., Feb. 11, for $10,000 and the championship.

During a fire in the Toledo and Ann Arbor railroad shops at Owosso, Mich., Fred Pease was burned to death and Harry Kenney fatally burned.

John Parker, colored, was struck on the head with a billiard cue in a Pittsburg billiard room, by an unknown man, who escaped. Parker died soon after.

CARLISLE'S REPORT.

An Urgent Plea for the Retirement of the Greenbacks.

CAUSE OF THE MONEY STRINGENCY

The Secretary of the Treasury Declares That the Striking Out of the Income Tax Is Responsible--Our Present System of Finance a False One.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Secretary Carlisle's annual report on the state of the finances was sent to congress yesterday. It shows that the revenues of the government from all sources during the last fiscal year amounted to $310,387,000. The expenditures during the same period aggregated $433,178,426, leaving a deficit for the year of $42,856,223. As compared with the fiscal year 1894, the receipts for 1895 increased $17,570,705, although there was a decrease of $11,325,051 in the ordinary expenditure, which is largely accounted for by a reduction of $11,134,055 on account of bounties. The revenues for the current fiscal year are estimated, upon the basis of existing laws, at $381,007,427, and the expenditures at $444,007,427, which will leave a deficit of $17,000,000.

For the coming fiscal year ending June 30, 1897, the secretary estimates the receipts at $414,703,124, and the expenditures at $407,884,102, or an estimated surplus of $6,551,023.

The secretary devotes a large share of his report to a discussion of the condition of the treasury and the currency, in the course of which he makes an exhaustive argument in favor of the retirement of the greenbacks. He expresses the opinion that the secretary of the treasury ought always to have authority to issue and sell or use in the payment of expenses short time bonds bearing a low interest to supply casual deficiencies in the revenue. Referring to the causes of the existing stringency he says:

Income Tax Would Have Made a Surplus.

"If the income tax provision contained in the act of Aug. 28, 1894, had been sustained by the courts it is believed that the deficiency for the year would not have exceeded the amount estimated in my last annual report. In that report the opinion was expressed that the laws then in force would not only yield an ample revenue during the fiscal year 1895, but that there would be a surplus of nearly $20,000,000. This opinion was based upon the supposition, which then seemed to be well founded, that all the sources of revenue provided in the act of Aug. 28, 1894, would be available, and that, owing to the higher rate of taxation imposed upon distilled spirits and some other articles, the receipts under the internal revenue laws would be very considerably increased, but the decision of the supreme court holding the income tax provisions of the act to be unconstitutional, and the fact that the receipts from internal revenue did not increase as anticipated, but actually fell off $3,850,570.73 during the fiscal year 1895 as compared with the previous year, notwithstanding the higher rate imposed on spirits and other articles, have greatly altered the situation, and I am now of the opinion that there will be a deficiency of about $17,000,000 during the current fiscal year."

Assuming that there will be a complete return to normal business conditions, the revenues, the secretary says, will, under existing laws, be sufficient and probably will leave a surplus of nearly $7,000,000 in the fiscal year of 1897. The secretary believes expenditures may be further reduced without impairing the efficiency of the public service.

The secretary describes in detail the circumstances leading up to the gold syndicate contract, declaring it was necessary to prevent a panic. A large part of the gold had been furnished from abroad by the syndicate. The beneficial effects of this transaction, the secretary says, were felt immediately, not only in this country, but in every other having commercial relations with us. "Confidence in our securities," he continues, "was at once restored and those encouraging indications of increasing prosperity still continue, and it is reasonably certain that, if our progress is not checked by a repetition of large demands upon our resources, or by a failure to meet the just expectations of the people in respect to the reformation of our fiscal system, we are entering upon an era of material growth and development not surpassed in our history.

Issue of Bonds to Procure Coin.

"The issue of bonds to procure coin for the reserve, which is the only effectual method now available under the law, will, unless conditions which have already been developed by the present policy are radically changed, ultimately result in the creation of a public debt much larger than would be required to retire and cancel all the notes, and the annual interest charged will be much greater than it would be necessary to pay on such a new class of bonds adapted to the present circumstances of the government and the well known preferences of investors. If, however, an attempt is to be made to keep the United States notes and treasury notes permanently in circulation by reissues after redemption, and the government is to be permanently charged with the duty of sustaining the value of all our currency, paper and coin alike, the conclusion cannot be avoided that the policy of issuing bonds for the accomplishment of these purposes must also become permanent.

"I am thoroughly convinced that this policy ought not to be continued, but that the United States notes and treasury notes should be retired from circulation at the earliest practicable day, and that the government should be wholly relieved from the responsibility of providing a credit currency for the people. It would be difficult, if not impossible, to devise a more inconvenient expensive or dangerous system than the one now in operation under the laws providing for the issue, redemption and reissue of legal tender notes by the government.

"If our legal tender notes were retired there is abundant reason to believe that a very large amount of gold which has been excluded from the country by the excessive use of silver and paper in our circulation, would promptly return to take its place in our currency and constitute a permanent part of our medium of exchange. A country having such extensive trade relations with other nations as we now enjoy cannot be deprived of its proper share of the world's stock of money, and, if it adopts and adheres to a sound and stable currency system at home, it will get the best money the world has, because no other kind is ever used in international transactions.

Adherence to a False System.

"Long adherence to a false system has to a great extent undermined our national credit, so far as it is related to the maintenance of a sound currency, and it must be reconstructed, not merely propped up by frail and temporary supports. No surplus revenue, however large, could extricate us from our present difficulties, or give assurances of safety in the future, unless it should be resolved to be paid in gold under a system which would exempt the government from the obligation to furnish the gold when demanded to be used in making the payments, and it is scarcely necessary to suggest that such system is impossible as long as the United States notes and treasury notes are kept in circulation, and are redeemable in gold by the government itself on presentation.

"It was apprehension as to the kind of money to be used, and not as to the amount of money on hand, that brought our securities back from abroad for sale, caused foreign investors to withdraw their capital, and foreign creditors to collect their debts, and compelled our own people to suspend or contract their business operations, and thus diminish the incomes of employers and greatly reduce, or entirely stop, the wages of labor.

"With or without a surplus revenue the the government can now procure gold only by negotiating loans or by making purchases under the statute, and this state of affairs, which is the natural result of causes still operative, is almost certain to continue until the causes themselves are removed.

"There is but one safe and effectual way to protect our treasury against these demands and that is to retire and cancel the notes which constitute the only means through which the withdrawals can be made. Many partial and temporary remedies may be suggested and urged with more or less plausibility, but this is the only one that will certainly remove the real cause of our troubles and give assurance of permanent protection against their recurrence in the future.

Benefits of the National Banking System.

"Whatever objections to a national banking system may have heretofore existed, or may still exist, among our people, upon economic or other grounds, the fact must be recognized first it has been so long established, and, notwithstanding its admitted defects, has served such a useful purpose in furnishing a convenient form of currency of uniform value throughout the country, that an attempt at this time to abolish it, or materially abridge the franchise of the institutions organized under it, would not only be unsuccessful, but would provoke injurious agitation when the precarious condition of our fiscal affairs demands repose and such a restoration of confidence as will enable the people to avail themselves of all the facilities that can be afforded for the transaction of their business. The national banking associations now in operation have been established under charters granted by the government, and so long as they are obedient to the laws and useful to the community, it would be an act of bad faith to deprive them of the privileges thus secured.

"The failure of the national banking system as it now exists to meet local requirements is unavoidable under the law now in force, which prohibits the organization of any banking association with a capital less than $50,000, and permits their organization with this minimum amount only in places having a population of 6,000 and less. Places having a population exceeding 6,000, no matter how small the excess may be, are compelled to raise a capital of $100,000 in order to secure banking facilities under the statute, and if the population exceeds 50,000 the capital must not be less than $200,000. The result of these provisions is that the people in the smaller classes of towns and cities are deprived of the advantages enjoyed by the citizens of the larger places.

"It is not probable that any plan for the permanent retirement of the United States notes and treasury notes will be adopted that will not require considerable time for its complete execution, and I, therefore, respectfully urge upon congress the propriety of providing any future issue of such notes, or of national bank notes of less denominations than $10. The reasons for this recommendation have been fully stated in former reports, and need not be repeated here. Such a policy would make room for the circulation of silver certificates and silver certificates of small denominations, thus increasing the facilities for the payment and distribution of their daily balances, and thereby relieving to some extent the pressure upon the treasury."

Railroad Wreck at Dover, N. J.

DOVER, N. J., Dec. 17.—A disastrous wreck occurred at this place early this morning. W. D. Caldwell, of Ohio, a stock drover, was instantly killed, four cattle cars and a caboose were totally wrecked, and travel on the road was blocked for several hours. The trains that collided were the fast Buffalo freight and an extra train from Port Morris, both on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western road. About twenty head of cattle were killed.

Gang of Car Burglars Captured.

BUFFALO, Dec. 17.—The police last night arrested a gang of six of the most notorious professional car burglars in the country. They are George Freeman, known as "Big Jack," Dan Casey, Curtis Vernon, John Lynch, John O'Neil and Ed O'Hara. The men were all heavily armed, and carried an elaborate general car burglars' outfit.

Application for Divorce Denied.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 17.—Judge Peck denied the application of W. C. B. Brown of the large wholesale drug house of Orr, Brown & Pease, for a divorce from his wife, Della. The case has been a local sensation and implicated persons here, in Atlantic City and Philadelphia.

A FIENDISH ATTEMPT

To Assassinate George M. Pullman and Philip D. Armour.

INFERNAL MACHINES BY MAIL.

Postoffice Officials Were Suspicious and Had the Boxes Examined and Their Deadly Charge Clearly Proven—A Suspect Under Arrest Asserts His Innocence.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—A bold conspiracy to assassinate George M. Pullman and Philip D. Armour has just come to light, and every effort is being made to apprehend the perpetrators of the plot. Two packages were received at postal station L, of which William H. Hanlon is superintendent, directed to P. D. Armour and George M. Pullman, respectively, and the packages were finally turned over to Postoffice Inspector Stuart for inspection. They proved to be infernal machines, which, had they reached their destination and been opened without suspicion by the men for whom they were intended, would have probably blown them into eternity.

The packages were taken up by Collector Philip Kirkwood. One of them he found on the mail box at Wabash avenue and Fourteenth street, and the other at Wabash avenue and Twenty-first street. The second machine was laid on the box just as Kirkwood approached it to make his collection. He saw a man of rough appearance lay a package on the box and walk away. When he reached the mail box he found the package to be similar to the one he had picked up at Fourteenth street, and addressed in the same handwriting. Each package weighed about twenty-four ounces, and the poorly scrawled addresses were alone enough to attract the attention of the carrier.

The postal authorities were already on the lookout for suspicious packages for Mr. Armour, as a stranger had notified attaches of his office that an infernal machine was on its way to him through the mail. He claimed to have overheard an exposure of the conspiracy from two men talking in an alley. The employes of Mr. Armour did not place much reliance in the story, but informed the postal officials of what they had been told.

A similar visit was paid to Mr. Pullman Sunday night, presumably by the same person who took the trouble to inform Mr. Armour's people. Mr. Pullman had already retired, and did not see the visitor, who appeared very much worried and anxious to see the millionaire in person. He delivered his message, however, without seeing Mr. Pullman, and left a card with his address.

The dangerous character of the packages has been established without a doubt. A trial test of their contents was made and this proved that the packages contained an explosive, in force to dynamite.

The packages were about eight inches long, with three inch ends. They were wooden boxes, each containing a drawer. Matches were so arranged inside as to be ignited by friction with sandpaper, which was glued to the box above the drawer, when the latter was pulled out. The boxes were well provided with the explosive, but in the bottom was placed a piece of lead pipe several inches long.

S. A. Owens, the man who informed Messrs. Armour and Pullman that the infernal machines would be mailed to them, is detained in Postal Inspector Stuart's office on the supposition that he sent the bombs. The theory expressed by Inspector Stuart is that Owens conceived the idea of sending the bombs and notifying the recipients in advance of the mailing of the packages, in the hope of obtaining a good reward. This belief is strengthened by the similitude of the bad spelling on the addresses and the spelling in a statement furnished by Owens in detailing the manner of his securing the information of the sending of the package.

Owens' statement recites that on Sunday night at 11:30 he went into the alley under the "L" tracks at Congress street, and there overheard the conversation between two men, to the effect that they intended sending bombs to Messrs. Armour and Pullman. Owens denies that he sent the infernal machines.

Minister De Lome's Fake Bomb.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The district chemist made an analysis yesterday of the alleged bomb or infernal machine found on the doorstep of Spanish Minister De Lome's residence on Sunday. The contents were found to be entirely harmless. Minister De Lome intends, if possible, to discover the perpetrator of the joke, and the police are searching for the offender.

Not a Successful Actor.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—Lord Sholto Douglass finished his career as an actor in this city by being hissed off the stage. As the curtain was about to go down at the close of the last act the lord read a speech on the reprehensible methods of the newspapers on account of their failure to view his theatrical venture seriously. Douglass called the people names, and altogether it was the most laughable comedy that has been enacted since the youngest son of the Marquis of Queensberry became a footlight favorite.

Settled Their Differences Honorably.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 17.—There has been an honorable adjustment of the differences between Major Hearsey, of The State, and Congressman Boatner. All arrangements for a meeting on the field yesterday had been made, when gentlemen of prominence in the state interfered and brought such weight to bear as to reach a basis upon which a settlement of the differences might be made. The arrangements are understood to be satisfactory, and the adjustment is honorable to both gentlemen.

Life Insurance Policies Not Taxable.

HARRISBURG, Dec. 17.—Attorney General McCormick yesterday gave an opinion to Auditor General Mylin deciding that life insurance policies cannot be taxed, and that they are not in the class of "personal property" intended by the act of 1891 as taxable. The opinion was given in reply to a question raised by the commissioners of Allegheny county.

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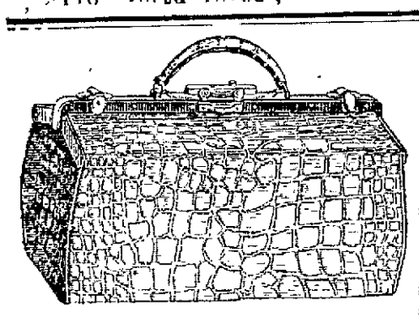

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The Thrilling Sequel to the Hanging of a Condemned Murderer.

"Everybody remembers when the great Texas murderer, Dick Masters, was hanged," said E. M. Cary of Waco, "but the strange death of Sheriff Winters, who sprung the trap, has been kept out of the papers. After Masters' body was cut down, the county physician pronouncing the murderer dead, the sheriff ordered four deputies to carry the body to his private laboratory, where he used to pursue his medical experiments alone. He was bound to dissect the powerful, well developed body of Masters, so he shut himself up with the corpse and went to work.

The sheriff moved about briskly, making a great clatter with his instruments. Several times he went to the windows and peered out, but the neighborhood was deserted. He soon discovered that the drop on the scaffold had not broken Masters' neck, and the sheriff thought that was fortunate, as he always had experimented on the restoration of life whenever opportunity afforded. He laid down his instruments and began to try and restore life. The evening shadows drifted into night. It was a noisy town and the shouts and laughter of revelers could be heard everywhere. Several times the crowds passing the sheriff's room thought they heard the sounds of scuffling, and more than once a muffled shout was heard. But the pleasure seekers on the streets passed along without giving a thought to this.

On the following day Sheriff Winters failed to appear at his office. Nobody had seen him since he locked himself in the laboratory with Masters' body. Finally the mayor of the town and several deputy sheriffs went to the laboratory, but rapping at the door nor shouts would bring any answer. Then they broke open the door. The sight before them nearly turned their hair gray. The room was a total wreck. The furniture was strewn about the room, smashed to pieces, and everything bore evidence of a terrible struggle. Sheriff Winters lay on the floor, dead, and the marks about his throat showed that he had been strangled. A few feet away lay the dead body of the murderer, Masters. The faces and the garments of both men bore evidence of a hard fight. The only conclusion that could be arrived at was that Masters had revived, and on regaining consciousness and strength he attacked the sheriff and succeeded in killing him before he died himself. All this happened in the jail of Rio Grande county."—Kansas City Journal

IS THIS FACT OR LEGEND?

A Queer Story About the Way In Which "Leonanie" Was Written.

In the house of a gentleman in this city we recently saw a poem written on the fly leaf of an old book. Noticing the initials "E. A. P." at the bottom, it struck us that possibly we had run across a bonanza.

The owner of the book said that he did not know who was the author of the poem. His grandfather, who gave him the book, kept an inn in Chesterfield, near Richmond. One night a young man rapped at the door and asked if he could stay all night and was shown to a room.

That was the last we saw of him. When they went next morning to call him to breakfast, he had gone, but had left the book, on the fly leaf of which he had written these verses:

LEONANIE.

Leonanie! Angels named her,
And they took the light
Of the laughing stars and framed her
In a suit of white,
And to wave de her hair of gloomy
Midnight and her eyes of glowing
Moonshine, and they brought her to me
In the silent night.

In a solemn night of summer
When my heart of gloom
Blossomed up to greet the comer,
Like a rose in bloom,
All for boodings that distressed me
I forget as joy caressed me,
Lying by that naught and pressed me
In the arms of doom.

Only spake the little lisper
In the angels' tongue,
Yet, listening, heard her whisper:
"Songs are only sung
Here to you that they may grieve you.
Take not all you told to love you.
Some day Leonanie leave you
While her love is young."

Then God smiled, and it was morning,
Mirth was all supreme,
Heaven's sky was one unbroken adorning
Earth with loveliness.
Every angel in the throng stood gifted
When the [illegible] of joy was lifted
With the love I took me drifted
From me like a wave.
—E. A. P. (J. Whitcomb Riley)

—Kokomo (Ind.) Dispatch.

A Double Action Joke.

Dumas tells of a double action joke which he played on Meissonier, who was a boi.nst in his hours of leisure. The famous dramatist sent him a paper containing the dried roe of a herring, telling him that it was the seed of a very rare plant. "How are the seeds coming on?" he asked the great painter the next time he saw him. "Oh, beautifully. I have planted them in a circle." And he took the astonished joker to a corner of the garden where the heads of young herrings were just peeping up.

Marvelous Results.

From a letter written by Rev. J. Gunderman, of Dimondale, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist Church at Rives Junction she was taken down with pneumonia, succeeding la grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption, and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in results." Trial bottles free at McMonagle and Rogers' Drug Store. Regular size 50c. and $1.00.

Opening an Umbrella With One Hand.

"Not infrequently," said a stroller, "you see people with their arms full of bundles making hard work of opening an umbrella. There is a very simple and easy way of opening an umbrella with one hand, known to many, but perhaps not to all. You grasp the little cylinder around the handle, to which the lower ends of the ribs are attached, plant the point of the umbrella against a lamppost, and push until the little cylinder catches on the upper catch, and there you are, without the least trouble in the world."—New York Sun.

Will It Come to This?

Somebody's Treasure (applying for situation)—What, five little children! No, thank yer, mum, I never goes nowheres where there's more than two.

Lady—Well, if you give us till Thursday perhaps we can drown three of them.—Ally Sloper.

WHAT IS HEADACHE?

NOT SO TRIVIAL AS IT IS GENERALLY THOUGHT TO BE.

HEADACHE IS A SYMPTOM

Some Diseases That Go With It and Their Relation to Each Other.

Headache means more than it says. It is a warning of coming trouble. Folks who have headache should try to cure the origin of it. There are many varieties of headache. They may be symptoms of different diseases. But the beginning of them all is poison in the blood.

Generally, the poison can be filtered out by the kidneys.

A headache may be simply an unimportant pain, or the agony may be so excruciating as almost to drive one frantic.

Rheumatic folks have headache, hard workers have headache, people who drink too much tea and coffee, or use too much tobacco have headache, folks who worry or get too excited have headache.

Headache is relieved by nervines, sedatives, and other drugs.

But not cured.

A cure requires the poison to be filtered out of the blood. The cause must be taken away. The kidneys must be made to do their duty.

The only medicine that will do this is Dr. Hobb's Sparagus Kidney Pills.

The reason is, that they are made principally from the root of the asparagus, one of the most wonderful kidney tonics and curatives known, and prepared in a certain way which uses all the curative principle of the plant.

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Dr. Hobb's Sparagus Kidney Pills are not called a "headache cure," but they cure the kidneys and make them filter the blood.

They take away the poison. They make headache impossible.

After the pain has gone, prevent it from coming back. This is the mission of Dr. Hobb's Sparagus Kidney Pills.

If you have a headache, make up your mind that something is wrong.

You may be rheumatic or have anæmia, gout, kidney disease, or other disorders of impure blood.

Headache is often a first symptom. Relieving it doesn't prevent the disease from progressing.

Curing it does.

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Senor Andrade, Lawyer and Diplomat, His Country's Only Foreign Minister.

Like Ah Sin, Senor Andrade, Venezuela's minister to the United States, is childlike and bland, but the impression is rapidly gaining ground in Washington that he is one of the shrewdest and

SENOR ANDRADE.

ablest diplomats at the capital. He is the only minister his government maintains at the capital of another country, and the success of his mission is of vital importance to Venezuela. Venezuela's diplomatic relations with England have been broken off since 1887, when that great absorber of little nations took possession of the territory within the old Schomburgk line, declaring it to be British ground. Then the Venezuelan minister at London, Dr. Rojas, was recalled.

For three generations the Andrade family has been prominent in the political and military life of Venezuela, and the minister comes naturally by his talent for statecraft. He is a scholar, a profound thinker and a shrewd student of men and public affairs. For many years he has been a leader in the politics of his country and has served in the senate and house and as president of the state of Zulia. For 12 years he lived in the United States of Colombia and studied law. He then visited the various republics of North and South America and the different countries of Europe, studying the people and institutions until he knew them well. He speaks English, French, German, Italian, Spanish and modern Greek fluently, and his rich experience in different parts of the globe has well fitted him for intricate diplomatic work. He is courteous, gentle and a model host and makes friends wherever he goes. He first attracted attention in this country as a member of the Venezuelan and marine commissions and as a delegate to the pan-American congress.

As minister he has made no effort to excite popular sympathy with his cause and his courtesy, tact, discretion, erudition and diplomatic skill have made a most favorable impression at the state department, it is said. In the opinion of Washington officials Venezuela's momentous mission could not be in better hands.

Money Galore.

Twenty million dollars' worth of bank notes leave the Bank of England daily, while 60 folio volumes of ledgers are filled with writing in keeping the accounts of a single day.

The Manuscript of "Trilby."

The manuscript of "Trilby" is now on view in a glass case at the Fine Arts society's galleries in London. It is written in a bold schoolboy hand and mainly in copy books.

A Hint to Smokers.

Many tobacco smokers consider that little light specks on the wrapper of a cigar indicate a good article. Very few know how those specks get there.

If on a hot day, when the sun has been beating down on the tobacco plants, a sudden thunder shower should come up and sprinkle the leaves with the immense drops of rain so common in Cuba, and it should then suddenly clear up, the sun coming out brightly again, the drops of water on the leaves will act as lenses and concentrate the sun's rays, which burn the little specks upon the tobacco.

The tobacco must be ripe in order that the sun may give this effect. On account of the great selling capacity of this sort of wrapper, these spots are made on the cheaper brands by chemical means.—London Standard.

Nothing is such an obstacle to production of excellence as the power of producing what is good with ease and rapidity.—Aitlin.

When in debt, a man usually gets through 500 words a minute.

Only One.

Wife—Do you think there is a man that could resist telling his wife, "You are the only woman I ever loved?"

Hubby—Only one that I can think of.

Wife—Who? You, dearest?

Hubby—Oh, no; Adam.—Louisville Truth.

His Visits.

Dimpleton—How I have been paying a man $2 a month to take care of my furnace, and I've had to do it myself.

Von Blumer—Hasn't he been around?

Dimpleton—Oh, yes; he comes around every morning.—Jewelers' Life.

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WAWAYANDA.

Two Expensive Farms—The Scarcity of Water—Cut Off Three of His Fingers—The Proposed New Church—The Hoop Pole Business—Incorrigible Celibates

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY

—I am reliably informed that within the last twenty years two large farms adjoining each other, in the vicinity of Slate Hill have cost their owners $100,000 in the purchase price and the cost of improvements thereon since by the owners.

—The present winter set in so dry and water privileges are so limited that farmers will find it difficult to obtain water for their cattle to drink and other necessities.

—On Sunday last, a small boy, a son of Augustus Sergeant, Jr., while playing about a straw cutting machine in the barn, by some means, let the knife come in contact with his hand, nearly severing three fingers at the first joints. Dr. Meyers dressed the mutilated members.

—The much talked about new Methodist Church in contemplation in the west end of Slate Hill, begins to assume a businesslike aspect. There is a determination on the part of several anxious persons about here for its erection as there is in the treasury enough to make a beginning.

—The hoop pole business conducted in Slate Hill, which has been in operation for a month or more, does not seem to lessen any in interest yet. Several carloads of hoop straps are taken every week to market.

—Ice is six inches thick on the ponds and skating is being indulged in.

—Eight dollars and sixty three cents is the rate per $1,000 assessed valuation in this town.

—The five chronic incorrigible celibates in and about Slate Hill still maintain a stold indifference to all the attacks of Cupid's darts and the attractions of woman. I don't think virgin purity, the blessed charms of beauty or the exquisite graces of refined character will ever capture any of these personages.

CRYSTAL RUN.

A Skating Party—Water Very Scarce—Personal Mention.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Mr. John Houston took a party of young ladies and gentlemen to Midway Park, Saturday evening, where they all enjoyed skating until a late hour. Upon their return they were treated by Miss Anna May Houston to a fine oyster supper.

—Dr. Santee left for New York, Monday morning, for a short stay.

—One of our oldest farmers claims that he has not seen saw water so scarce for nineteen years.

—Mrs. J. T. Coleman is in New York visiting friends and relatives.

—A great many of our young ladies and gentlemen are attending the singing school at Scotchtown.

NEW HAMPTON.

Fine Skating—Entertainment and Supper—Personal Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Skating on the Wallkill is fine but there are many holes cut in the ice by fishermen.

—Mrs. C. C. Stage went to Erin, N. Y., last week, to attend the funeral of her sister, Mrs. Alex A. Neich, of that place.

—The Denton Sunday School will give a supper and entertainment in the Sunday School room, Monday evening, Dec 23. An admission of ten cents will be charged adults. Children free.

—Miss Eliza L. Stage is spending a week at her home near this village.

—Mr. Robert Rodman is home for the holidays.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was it supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and, by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Adress.

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STRIKING FOR RECOGNITION.

All the Street Car Lines of Philadelphia Tied Up.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 17.—At 4 o'clock this morning the street car lines of this city were tied up in a general strike. That step was decided upon at midnight. The conductors and motormen are waging war for "living wages," shorter hours and the privilege of belonging to the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employes.

Dissatisfaction has been growing for a long time, but reached a high pitch immediately after the recent consolidation of all the local lines into one company—the Union Traction. Then action was precipitated by the numerous discharges from the company's service of men belonging to the Amalgamated Association. Many conferences have been sought by the various committees representing the railway men, but all have been rejected by President Welsh and the company's board of directors.

A few days ago W. D. Mahon, of Detroit, president of the street car workers' national organization, appeared in this city and took charge of the affairs of the strikers. A crisis was reached yesterday. At a meeting yesterday morning a committee of one was appointed to convey the ultimatum to President Welsh. He did so and returned with the information, given by the president himself, that there would be no answer, and that no person connected with any labor organization would be recognized. This report was received last night at a meeting of the committee having charge of the railway men's affairs. After long and earnest discussion it was finally decided to declare a general strike on all the lines of the company, which controls every car in the city.

The demands of the strikers are very modest. They ask $2 for a day's work of ten hours, with thirty minutes for meals; that cars shall be vestibuled; that sweepers, snowplows and trippers shall be considered special work, and that men who have been discharged for organizing shall be reinstated.

To Meet Next Year in Cincinnati.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Contrary to general expectations the Federation of Labor did not conclude its work up to the time of adjournment last night, and a session is being held today, at which several matters of minor interest will be disposed of. Yesterday the chief work of the convention was the selection of a city at which to hold the next meeting. Chicago did not make a strong effort to secure the prize, and when the matter was put to a vote Cincinnati and Nashville were the only contestants. The Ohio city won on a vote of 1,709 to 881.

Reading Reorganization.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The official plan of reorganization of the Reading system was published simultaneously in this city and London yesterday. It is declared in the preamble that unless the acceptance of the plan is general the properties of the existing companies will be sold and successor companies organized under the laws of Pennsylvania, and the stocks and bonds of these successor companies will be vested in a new company. The plan has been prepared on the assumption that foreclosure will probably be necessary.

Emperor William Visits Bismarck.

FRIEDRICHSRUHE, Dec. 17. — Emperor William arrived here from Hamburg at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Prince Bismarck, accompanied by Count von Rantzau, his son-in-law, and by Dr. Schweninger, in his majesty's honor, alighted from the train. After thanking the emperor for the honor of his visit Prince Bismarck accompanied him to the castle, where the royal traveler was hospitably entertained by the ex-chancellor. The emperor left Friedrichsruhe for Berlin and Potsdam at 7:15 p. m.

Fell Through the Ice and Drowned.

SUSQUEHANNA, Pa., Dec. 17.—While skating on the river yesterday Leland Genie fell through the ice and was drowned. The body was recovered. While endeavoring to save his son the father narrowly escaped drowning.

Shot by a Chief Justice.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 17.—Chief Justice T. L. Snodgrass, of the Tennessee supreme court, fired two shots at John R. Beasley, a prominent lawyer of this city, one of which took effect in the arm. Mr. Beasley is seriously hurt, but the wound is not regarded as likely to prove fatal. The shooting was the outcome of an article published over Beasley's signature, in which he charged that the supreme court rendered a decision in the railroad debt case of the state from a political standpoint and not from justice. Judge Snodgrass went before Justice Tom Cowan and waived bond, and upon giving $1,000 bond, was released.

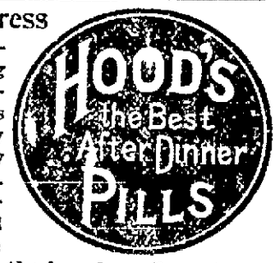
Chapman's Case Will Be Tried.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The trial of Broker Elverton R. Chapman, of New York city, for refusal to testify before the senate committee during the sugar trust investigation, was set for yesterday, but was informally postponed, owing to the pressure of cases before the court. It probably will be taken up early in January. The Chapman case will be the first tried of the six cases growing out of the senate sugar investigation. A number of other important cases will be tried early in the year, including that of Miss Elizabeth Flagler, who shot and killed a negro for some months ago for despoiling a fruit tree.

Hazed a Thieving Student.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 17.—A mob of half a hundred students at Wyoming seminary smashed into the room of a fellow student about 1 o'clock in the morning and carried him, in spite of protests and cries, out on the campus back of Union Hall. Here they tied him fast to a small tree and gagged him. Then a bucket of tar was dumped on his naked body, a heavy coat of feathers attached, and he was taken back to his room. He was charged with stealing money and jewelry from students and was caught in the act one day recently, it is alleged.

That Distress



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TUESDAY, DEC. 17, 1895.

The official canvass of the vote of the State was made, yesterday, at Albany, and shows the following pluralities: Palmer, 90,145; Roberts, 94,293; Colvin, 92 236; Hancock, 94, 758; Adams, 86,211, Martin, 90,960.

Those who spoke at yest rday's hearing before the Supervisors all declared themselves in favor of employing the county's convicted prisoners and most of them advised that the prisoners be set at work on the public highways. Despite this unanimity of opinion it seems to us that if the Supervisors decide in favor of the work house system they should make haste slowly and be sure of its practicability and economy before involving the county in any considerable expenditure on its account There is no question that the work house system can be made to reduce the cost of jail maintenance where there are many prisoners, but if the experiment has ever been tried successfully in counties of the size of Orange, no statement of such results is in the possession of the Supervisors Taking into account the cost of employing guards, the labor of the prisoners would net but little to the county, and the only chance for reducing expenses that the new system would afford would be in making imprisonment so irksome and so odious in the open disgrace of chain gang labor that those tempted to commit petty crimes might think twice before sinning and thus the number of convictions might be lessened.

TOO MUCH HASTE.

Starting a Car Too Soon Causes a Lady a Hard Fall

Last evening a young lady hailed a car on North street; just as she placed one foot on the step, the car started and she fell heavily upon the pavement, but so far as we have learned was not badly hurt.

Conductors and motormen should not be in too great haste to start a car. It isn't everybody who can board a car in motion or even retain their feet after they are on the platform when a car starts suddenly.

The W. C. T U Fair

Do no forget that the W. C. T. U fair opens, at 2 o'clock to-morrow, in the parlors, 134 North street. You will find a nice assortment of fancy work, etc, from which to select holiday presents. Go early and avoid the rush. Cakes for the $2 and $1 prizes will be received at that time Entertainment and refreshments in the evening. Ten cents admission except to members.

The Erie's Dollar Excursion

At least three special train will be run, to-morrow, Dec. 18, to accommodate the crowd expected on the Erie's one dollar excursion to New York. Every one will surely have a seat. Nine hours in New York Special trains leaves James street 7:54, Main street 7:56. Returning leave New York 7:40. Tickets are good only on the special trains. dit.

Farmers Institute at Otisville,

A farmers' institute will be held at Otisville, on January 20th and 21st. It will be conducted by officials of the New York State Agricultural Society, and will be profitable and interesting to all farmers who attend.

A Business College for Middletown

Mr. W. C. Ramsdell has rented apartments in the Stern building and will open the Middletown Business College, December 30th. He will also conduct an evening school, commencing January 6th.

Very Gracefully Done.

From the Port Jervis Union

A sprightly dairymaid sold $15 worth of tickets for the recent reception. She evidently approached the buyers with such becoming Grace that she did not fyall a single person. Hence her success, which is worthy of mention.

An Orange County Musical Composer

The ARGUS acknowledges the receipt of a copy of the "Orange County Fair March," a two-step, composed by Ulysses J. Alsdorf, and dedicated to the Orange County Agricultural Society. Mr. Alsdorf is a son of Prof. A. B. Alsdorf, the well known dancing master of Newburgh.

Rheumatism Runs Riot.

When there is lactic acid in the blood. Liniments and lotions will be of no permanent benefit. A cure can be accomplished only by neutralizing this acid and for this purpose Hood's Sarsaparilla is the best medicine because Hood's Sarsaparilla is the only true blood purifier prominently in the public eye.

Hood's Pills act easily, yet promptly and effectively, on the liver and bowels. 25c.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

VENEZUELAN QUESTION!

President Cleveland Sends a Message to Congress.

THE MONROE DOCTRINE

Applies to the Pending Controversy—Arbitration Having Been Refused, The United States Must Determine the Venezuelan Boundary Question—War Not So Great a Calamity as Supine Submission to Wrong and Injustice.

BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The President's message sent to Congress, today, in connection with the Venezuelan correspondence, expressed in forcible terms his belief that the Monroe doctrine, as enunciated to Lord Salisbury in Secretary Olney's dispatch of July last, was "founded upon substantial considerations and involved our safety and welfare, was fully applicable to our present conditions, and was directly related to the pending controversy."

He expresses deep disappointment that the appeal of the United States for arbitration, which was addressed to the sense of justice of one of the great powers of the world and touching its relations to one comparatively weak and small should have produced no better results.

The dispute, he says, has reached such a stage as to make it incumbent upon the United States to take measures to determine with sufficient accuracy what is the true divisional line between Venezuela and British Guiana.

He suggests the appointment of a commission for this purpose, and says that in making this recommendation he is "fully alive to the responsibility incurred and keenly realizes all the consequences that may follow. When the report of the commission is made and accepted it will, in my opinion, be the duty of the United States to resist by every means in its power any willful aggression upon its rights. While it is a grievous thing to contemplate the two greatest English speaking peoples of the world as being otherwise than friendly competitors in the arts of peace, there is no calamity which a great nation can invite which equals that which follows supine submission to wrong and injustice."

PHILADELPHIA'S RAILROAD STRIKE.

Rioting Follows an Attempt to Move Cars—Three-fourths of the Men Out—Wires Cut.

BY UNITED PRESS

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 17—The strike of the Union Traction Co.'s employes for $2 for ten hours work was inaugurated this morning.

An attempt to run cars led to some rioting. Many stalled cars have been stoned and windows broken and conductors and motormen driven off. The police seem powerless

It is estimated that seventy per cent. of the cars are tied up and that 4,500 of the 6,000 employes are out.

It is reported that strikers have cut wires at Manayunk.

Will Remove to Paterson

Mr. John Cameron, who has conducted a meat market in this city for a number of years, has concluded to engage in the same line of business in Paterson, and will remove to that city with his family, to morrow. Mr. Cameron is a good citizen, whose removal will be a loss to Middletown. He and his family have many friends, whose good wishes will follow them to their new home.

For Building Up

There is no medicine like Hood's Sarsaparilla, because it lays a solid foundation in making pure, rich blood.

"Weak lungs affected my health for two years. The least cold troubled me greatly. I read about Hood's Sarsaparilla in the newspaper and after one bottle I felt a great deal better. Since taking six bottles I don't think there is any building up medicine that equals Hood's Sarsaparilla. It has effected a wonderful change in my health." MRS. A. LAMBRECHT, Franklin, N. Y.

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Smooth White Hands result from using Orange Flower Balm, 25 cents, McMonagle & Rogers.

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We want a bright and energetic man of large acquaintance to solicit orders for them and it will pay him well to do it. Address S. J. B

1t 15-21 Lafayette Place New York.

THE TOMLINSON COMEDY CO.

A Successful Opening Night—Charley's Uncle To-night's Attraction.

The Tomlinson Comedy Co., opened its week's engagement at the Casino most successfully, last night. A good audience was present and the company is pronounced one of the best of its kind that ever visited this city. The acting of Miss Ashton, Mr Kelley and Mr. Lynton deserves special mention.

The little daughter of Mr. J. H. Faulkner, of Mill street, made her first appearance, acting a boy's part in first class style.

To-night's attraction, "Charley's Uncle," a three act comedy, ought to draw a full house,

Advertised Letter List.

List of letters remaining uncalled for at the Middletown post office for the week ending Dec. 16th:

LADIES.

Casey, Mrs (Main St) Riley, Katie
Doll, Miss Ella Stacey, Miss Mary
Little, Miss Belle VanDerlyn, Miss Mae
Morries, Miss Lulu VanNess, Mrs. Jennie 2
Mack, Mrs James York, Lizzie
Osborn, Dorry

GENTLEMEN.

Benoscelisino, Francesco Livingston, John
Brown Frank Osborn, Willis
Charron, Peter Smith, James
(Paper Mill) Teague, Horace B L
Charron, M. Ferdinant Testo, Vincenzo-2
Clark, C. H, Wilcox, William

C. L. ELWOOD, Postmaster.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern building, 16 North street, Middletown, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

NEW YORK, Dec 17, '95.

	Yesterday Close	To-day Close
Sugar	103¾	102
A. T. & S. F.	16⅝	16½
C. B. & Q.	84½	83
Chicago Gas.	70⅜	68⅜
D. L. & W.	167½	165½
Dis. & Cat. F.	19¾	19
Erie		
General Electric	31⅝	30⅜
L. & N.	68½	51⅝
L. S.	153½	152½
M. P.	29¾	29⅜
N. Y. & N. E.		
N. Y. C.	100½	100½
N. W.	104½	103½
Susquehanna & Western.	10⅜	
Susquehanna & West, pref	31½	31⅜
O. & W.	16¾	15⅝
Manhattan.	107	101½
Southern R'y.	10	10
P. & R.	9	7¼
R. I.	74⅞	74
C. M. & St. P	75½	74⅜
U. P.	7¾	6⅜
W. Union	89¾	88¾
Nat. Lead	31½	31¼
May Wheat.	59⅞	60
May Corn.	28½	28½
May Oats.	19¾	19½
Jan Pork	$9 62	$9 60
Jan Lard.	5 35	5 30

Successful operations by surgeons are reported and published to the surgeon's credit, and it is also a benefit to the public to know of his skill. In this way Drs. Jones and Potter and their ability to cure rupture have become familiar to the public. Russell House, Thursdays. 3

DIED.

BARNES—In this city, Dec 16 h, '95, Harriet Stephens Gregory, wife of William Barnes, aged forty-eight years, eight months, twenty-one days.

Funeral Wednesday, from her late residence No 123 Highland avenue, at eleven o'clock. There will be short services at the Presbyterian Church, at Monroe, Wednesday, on the arrival of Erie train 6, at one-thirty o'clock Interment in family plot, Monroe.

F. O. ROCKAFELLOW & BRO, Undertakers and Embalmers, 99 North street, Lady assistant, Telephone No 3. dtyMch17

KNAPP & MERRITT, Undertakers and Embalmers, corner West Main and James Sts. Lady assistant, Telephone Nos. 10 and 22.

DOUGHERTY & REILLY, Undertakers and Embalmers, 50 Cottage street, Middletown Telephone 42—night and day

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Umbrellas, kid gloves, fine hosiery, gents' ties, dress patterns, cloaks, fur capes and a great variety of small articles in medium and fine goods. An inspection asked.

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CHRISTMAS PRESENTS!

Look at our new holiday hat, neckwear, silk suspenders, fur caps and fur gloves. Large stock of winter caps, gloves and mittens, cardigan jackets, jersey coats and sweaters, silk umbrellas, combination cane and umbrella. Ready made clothing at closing prices—Ulsters, overcoats, suits, extra pantaloons and reefers for men, boys and children: underwear, mackintosh coats, box and cape, trunks and dress suit cases. Merchant Tailoring Department—We are offering special prices to those wishing a suit, overcoat or extra trousers made, to close out our winter stock.

JOHN E. ADAMS.

Leading Hatter, Clothier, Merchant Tailor and Gents' Furnisher

No. 41 North Street, Middletown.

OUR AIM

in collecting a line of goods suited to the Holiday Season, has been to

Combine the Useful and the Beautiful

A difficult task if you keep the prices down. From 25c to 75c we show a beautiful assortment too numerous to itemize—Silver and aluminum goods, celluloid and plush, all kinds of fancy articles.

A special display of Japanese Goods.

2 0 Blue Lacquer Tea Pots 15c

100 Jap Lacquer Tray and Brush 20c.

500 Jap Bronze Trays from 15 to 85c.

We are showing a line of Embroidered Handkerchiefs at 16, 18 20c, fully equal to the best 25c goods in the market. Our line of Handkerchiefs is immense. Over 500 dozen to select from.

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NEAR MILL STREET. dtyNov29

Samuel Lipfeld,

25 NORTH ST.

More Suggestions.

AMONG the acceptable things for Christmas presents, in addition to last week's list, we would name a fur cap, seal skin or not, according to your purse; silk handkerchiefs, plain or colored border; silk suspenders, neckwear, any kind he likes; linen handkerchiefs, canes, with or without sterling silver ornaments; umbrellas, all silk or partly so, with plain or silver ornamented handles.

SAMUEL LIPFELD,

25 North Street.

THE HOLIDAY SHOW IS READY.

We have gathered from far and near a host of pretty things for gift buyers. Of course you have seen our show windows. Every one has, and they have been pronounced the fastiest in town. Come in and look around: there is more inside. Come early before the holiday rush.

Sensible suggestions—Silks for waists, a Dress of newest fabric from our celebrated Jamestown goods, the dress goods with a pedigree.

A Muff and Boa make a nice present for a lady if she does not already own one. We have them a good assortment, and we have clipped off all the profit.

A Coat or Cape is a sensible gift. It is useful and ornamental We have a large assortment of both and mean to sell them if big cut in price will do it.

Handkerchiefs in linen and silk, plain and initial, all styles, all prices. Men's Neckwear, Collars and Cuffs Tecks and Four-in-Hands in all the up-to-date styles.

J. D. HORTON, AGT

No. 27 West Main St

See the Window!
See the Water-wheel!
See the Toboggan slide!

Original, very. Power in the wheel if it is small, just so with the prices.

CHRISTMAS GOODS HERE IN GREAT VARIETY—Albums 35c., good plush; Bibles 39c up, Oxford Teachers' Bibles, with maps, helps, everything, $1.45 instead of $2.

HANDKERCHIEFS, every kind, at smaller prices than you suspect. Hemstitch, with initial, 8c.; Japanese embroidered silk handkerchiefs 10 to 50c., St. Gall embroidered handkerchiefs 10, 15, 19c.

Special Kid Glove Sale Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

ECONOMY STORE,

114 North St.

HANFORD & HORTON.

A Man Would Be Hard to Please

for whom something, in the way of Christmas gifts, could not be chosen from our stock.

There are Leather Toilet Sets for home or traveling, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Necktie Cases, Shaving Sets, Smoking Sets, Ink Stands, Pocket Books, Card Cases, Bill Books, Gold Pens, Fountain Pens, Books to suit all tastes, besides lots of other things a man would like to have.

Subscriptions taken for all publications.

Hanford & Horton,

6 North Street.

James Street Prices.

Blackboards 43c, Shoo Flys 95c. Door Swings 95c. Doll Cabs 22, 49, 95c., Handsome Dressed Dolls 65c., Water or Lemonade Sets 75c to $1 15, Iron Freight Trains 22 43c., Magic Lanterns, $1 size, 85c. handsome Vinegar Cruets 15c, 10 piece Toilet Set $2 25, 5 gallon Oil Can 60c. Judd's Baking Powder 2 pounds for 25c. Your money back if you want it.

E. A. HAMILTON,

No. 29 James street.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Why Not Give Useful Presents? You Appreciate Them Best.

Neckwear, gloves, mufflers canes caps, handkerchiefs.

Suspenders, collars, cuffs, cardigans, sweaters, underwear.

Fancy vests, house coats, suit cases, robes and blankets

Special inducements in Clothing, Suits, Overcoats, Ulsters and Reefers at the lowest price consistent with good workmanship.

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MEN'S BOYS' PRESENTS.

How is this? A suit or overcoat, a reefer, jersey coat or knit jacket, smoking coat, hat or cap, silk suspenders, neckwear, handkerchiefs, mufflers, silk umbrella, silver mounted canes, fur or kid gloves and many other gifts useful for gents.

Morris B. Wolf,

10 North St.,
One Price Clothier.
"Everything for Men's Wear Except Shoes."

Call in and See

OUR

5, 10, 15 and 25c.

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Christmas Presents

BY

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THERE'S MANY A PRETTY THOUGHT

to be expressed in a Christmas gift, chosen from the dainty wares we offer. Flawless cut glass bottles, perfect in design, faultless in finish, filled with the exquisite perfume of your favorite flowers, from the rose, violet or lilac of the home garden to nature's shy marvel, the trailing arbutus of the wild woods,—and the pretty but less expensive bottles of fine toilet water. Choosing one of these your gift is perfect, whether large or small, complete in itself or rounding out the other presents.

By confining our Holiday Offerings to this line (merely a development of our work of the rest of the year) we best serve our customers' interests with goods, the product of our own laboratory and workshop, unsurpassed in quality, unrivalled in price for equal quality.

McMonagle & Rogers, Druggists.

Christmas Up to Date.

We invite you to visit our store, and we intend to make you welcome. If you do not come to buy, you are still expected and wanted. Courteous treatment will convince you that we are here to stay and to please; a sight of our admirable assortment of Holiday Goods will educate you up to a knowledge of what is novel, appropriate and first-class.

Fancher's

7 W. Main St., Middletown, N. Y.

THE ARGUS.

TUESDAY, DEC. 17, 1895.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—Fair, to-night and Tuesday; probably rain Tuesday evening; northerly winds shifting southeasterly.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day:

7 a. m., 20°; 12 m., 40°; 3 p. m. 49°.

AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION.

—Dec. 16-21—Tomlinson's Comedy Co., at Casino.
—Dec. 16-21 Fair of W. C. T. U.
—Dec. 18—Excursion to New York via Erie Railroad.
—Dec. 19—B. of R. T. dance, at Assembly Rooms.
—Dec. 23 Wallkill Engine Co. dance at Assembly Rooms.
Dec. 27 Miss Wescott's impersonations, at Second Presbyterian Church.
—Dec. 30—"Judge" Wm. J. Green, for the Y. M. C. A.
Dec. 31 Ball and reception Ontario Hose Co., at Assembly Rooms.
—Jan. 1 "The Mountain Waif," at Casino
—Feb. 3—Sato Sunutaro, Japanese wonderworker, for the Y. M. C. A.
—March 2—Miss Carrie Louise Ray, for the Y. M. C. A.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Treasurer wanted for theatrical company
—Special orders taken for jewelry by A. M. Amsler.
—Canvasser wanted. Address 16-21 Lafayette Place New York.
—Store room to let. No. 9 West Main street.
—Christmas presents at Morris B. Wolf's.
—Holiday goods cheap at C. N. Predmore's.
—Slipper sale at Chas. D. Hanford's.
—"Golden rod" coffee cheap at B. F. Todd's.
—See the holiday exhibit at Churchill & Co.'s
—Large line of gloves, mittens, neckwear, etc., at Budwig & Co.'s.
—The Howard Shaw dairy farm for sale by A. V. Bogart.
—$4 75 a hundred for granulated sugar at J. W. Sloat's.
—The New York Times, by mail, $3 a year.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—A ladies' spring heel shoe, new, found on the street, Monday evening, awaits an owner at this office.

—Excelsiors will meet at the truck house, Thursday evening, at 8 o'clock, for practice with the new apparatus.

—Remember Miss Adelaide Wescott's impersonations at the Second Presbyterian Church, Friday evening, Dec. 27th.

—Eighteen young men from Walden skated up the Wallkill as far as Phillipsburgh, Sunday. They reported that the ice for much of the distance was in fine shape.

—The executors' sale of the fine dairy, personal property and large farm of the late Daniel H. Eaton, to-morrow, will be certain, if the weather is fair, to bring together as large a crowd as has attended any auction held in Wawayanda in recent years.

PERSONAL.

—The Norwich *Sun* notes that H. B. Little, of this city, spent Sunday in that village.

—Mrs. Juliette Wilson, of Lake avenue, has returned from a ten days' visit to relatives and friends in Brooklyn and Newark.

—Miss Clara Pearsall, who has been spending a few days with relatives in this city, returned to her home in Brooklyn, to-day.

—Within the past few days there has been a marked improvement in the condition of Miss Carrie Horton, who is suffering from typhoid fever.

DECLARED LUNATICS.

Two Persons Adjudged Insane by a Sheriff's Jury.

There were proceedings in lunacy in two cases by a sheriff's jury, before A. V. N. Powelson, Esq., as commissioner, to-day.

Catherine L. Gordon, of the town of Goshen, and Robert K. Catlin, a patient in the State Hospital, were adjudged lunatics and application will be made to the court for the appointment of commissioners to take charge of their property.

H. W. Wiggins, Esq., was attorney for petitioners in both cases.

Celebrated Their Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Herman M. Scott celebrated the sixth anniversary of their wedding at their home, 28 Mill street, last evening. About thirty-five couples were present and partook of the bountiful supper which was served. Mr. and Mrs. Scott were the recipients of many beautiful presents. Mrs. Scott is a daughter of Officer William Tyrrell.

The Political Equality Club.

At the regular meeting of the Political Equality Club, held yesterday afternoon, the study of Fiske's Civil Government was begun. The first chapter was read aloud and discussion followed. Questions suggested by the reading are to be considered at the next meeting, Jan. 15th.

William Wickham Will Die.

The report from Thrall Hospital this afternoon, is to the effect that William Wickham, who on Thursday last, attempted to take his life, is failing very fast and that all hope of his recovery has been abandoned.

Condition of William Hoskings.

The condition of William Hoskings, who suffered such terrible injuries Thursday night, is not so favorable to-day as yesterday.

Receiving Taxes.

City Clerk Hamilton began receiving State and county taxes, to-day. Only $245 was paid in. Asa Rifenbury is the holder of receipt No. 1.

A MOTHER'S GLAD SURPRISE.

The Mystery of Maggie Luckey's Disappearance Explained—The Missing Young Woman Returns With Her Husband and Ends Her Family's Anxious Suspense.

On November 6th the ARGUS published an item to the effect that a well known young lady, residing on the hill, had mysteriously disappeared, several days before, leaving no clue as to her whereabouts.

Nothing was heard from the missing woman and her mother, who is a widow, and other members of the family were naturally greatly concerned about her.

Late yesterday afternoon, however, the young woman in question, who was Miss Maggie Luckey, astonished her friends by appearing at the house of her mother, on Knapp avenue, accompanied by a young man whom she introduced as her husband, Mr. C. C. Stevens. To substantiate her statement she produced a marriage certificate signed by Rev. Mr. Chase, of Oswego, N. Y., which set forth that Miss Luckey and Mr. Stevens had been married by him Nov. 27th.

The young couple were received with open arms, and if there had been a fatted calf on the premises it would have been served at a feast in honor of the newly wedded pair.

This morning Mr. and Mrs. Stevens left town for Fall River, Mass., where they will spend the holidays.

Mr. Stevens is an advertising agent and during one of his frequent visits to this city met Miss Luckey and recognizing her business ability engaged her to work for him and sent her to Oswego. Fearing that her family might object to her leaving town she told them nothing of her plans. Mr. Stevens came to Oswego on the 27th of November and the couple, having become engaged through correspondence, they were at once married.

A VETERAN'S SAD PLIGHT.

He Was A-Weary and the Police Found Him and Ran Him In.

James Burke, of Brooklyn, tramp, carriage painter and a veteran hero of the battle of Gettysburg, made his first visit to Middletown, yesterday, since "just after the war." He had seven dollers in his inside pocket, yesterday morning, but did not have enough left, this morning, to pay a fine for police protection. He was found at a late hour, last night, in a state of insensibility from intoxication, reclining in the shadow of the door way of Pronk & Foster's grocery store, and was tenderly cared for in the lockup. He told the Recorder that his experiences of the last twenty-four hours were harder to bear than were his sufferings on the bloody battle field, and upon his promise to "shake the town in two minutes," the Recorder let him go.

A FIGHT TO A FINISH.

The Tennis Court on Grove Street the Scene of a Hard Fought Battle.

An ex-motorman and a silk mill employe, settled, last night, a difference according to Marquis of Queensbury rules. They met on the tennis court on Grove street, and a well known sporting man acted as referee. The fight lasted about half an hour and the ex-motorman though much smaller than his opponent, had very much the better of it. Both were badly cut and bruised.

A Strange Accident Repeats Itself.

Richard Patton, eleven years old, is in St. Joseph's Hospital, Paterson, suffering from probably fatal injuries, sustained in the same way as those by which George Quinlan was killed in this city, ten days ago. Skaters had started a fire at the foot of a hollow tree, which, when the shell was burned through, fell on the Patton boy, breaking three of his ribs and forcing the broken ends into his lungs, making his case most serious.

Caught by a Gate on an Erie Crossing.

James O'Donnell, driver for Baker John Lovely, attempted to drive across the Erie tracks at Montgomery street about dark, last evening. The gates were being lowered at the time, and the north gate caught the top of the wagon and swept it and its occupant from the body of the vehicle. O'Donnell escaped uninjured but the wagon was badly damaged. The horse ran to Beattie avenue where it was caught.

Annual Meeting and Election of Hoffman Lodge.

The annual meeting and election of officers of Hoffman Lodge, F. and A. M., will be held this evening. It is understood that W. M. Julius Korn has declined a re election. Several candidates are in the field for Master, but the election will probably fall to the present Senior Warden, Brother H. C. Corwin.

Crawford Branch Engine in New Hands

The engine of the Pine Bush train is in new hands just now. Engineer Mintram is nursing his crushed thumb at his home in Pine Bush and Fireman Charles Durant is taking a vacation. Engineer Kelley and Firemen Remey, of Port Jervis, are filling their places.

Hives are not dangerous to life but they are a prolific breeders of misery and profanity. Doan's Ointment gives instant relief, even in the worst cases of this and other exasperating diseases of the skin.

A NEW SOCIETY ORGANIZED.

Firemen's Benefit and Relief Association Officers Elected.

A new society, a local one, gotten up among the firemen of this city, was organized, last night, with twenty-five charter members. It is to be known as the Firemen's Benefit and and Relief Association, and has for its object the relief of firemen during sickness and the payment of a funeral benefit at death.

The following officers were elected:
President—J. E. Iseman.
Vice President—Thos. A. March.
Secretary—Carl Johnson.
Treasurer—Charles Higham.
Trustees—Edson E. Kinne, Thos. Gillen.

The association will receive as members all Middletown firemen. Members will be required to pay an initiation fee of one dollar, and one dollar to the funeral fund and one month's dues, twenty-five cents, in advance.

A committee of one from each fire company was appointed to prepare a set of by-laws and report at a meeting to be held in two weeks, after which regular monthly meetings will be held.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Midland Chapter, R. A. M., Elects and Installs Its Officers for the Ensuing Year.

The annual election and installation of officers of Midland Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, was held at Masonic Hall, last evening, resulting as follows:

High Priest—J. C. R. Taylor.
King—O. W. Rogers.
Scribe—H. A. Kingsland.
Treasurer—S. G. Beyea.
Secretary—J. A. Wallace
Capt. of Host—Chas. R. Smith.
Prin. Sojourner—W. L. Bagley.
Royal Arch Capt.—Ira L. Case.
Master of Third Veil—J. C. Fisher.
Organist—A. C. Reynolds.
Tiler—T. H. Sudderly.
Trustee—W. E. Robertson.

MR AND MRS. FELLOWS' RECEPTION

Many Friends Enjoying Their Hospitality Ladies Who Assist Mrs. Fellows.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin S. Fellows are receiving their friends, to-day, at their residence on Washington street. The hours are from 3 to 6, this afternoon, and from 7 to 10, this evening. A large number of invitations were issued.

Mrs. Fellows is assisted in receiving by Mrs. W. H. Rogers, Mrs. George A. Swalm and Mrs. G. A. Swalm, Jr. She is also assisted in entertaining her guests by Miss Florence Swalm, Miss Mattie Gordon and Miss Louise Hartwell.

The parlors were elaborately and very artistically decorated by Mrs. Belding.

Duncan, of Newburgh, serves the refreshments. Messrs. Roescher and Stevens furnish music for the occasion.

The Travelers' Club at Mrs. Gordon's.

Mrs. Thomas Gordon entertained the Travelers' Club and a few other friends very pleasantly, yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Perley, who is Mrs. Gordon's guest, and who has spent many years abroad, gave a very interesting and instructive talk on France and Spain and Miss Perley, whose fine and well trained voice made her singing one of the most pleasing features of the concert in First Presbyterian Church, last week, sang several songs in most admirable style, delighting all her hearers. Refreshments were served and a pleasant social hour was spent.

A Ladies' Trolley Party.

Mrs. A. S. Douglas has issued invitations for a ladies' trolley party, Thursday afternoon. Her guests will meet at The Moffat at 4 30 o'clock, and go in special cars to Goshen, where supper will be served at the St. Elmo. The party is given in honor of Mrs. Vanamee and Mrs. Clemson.

Skated Into an Air Hole.

A young woman skated into an air hole in the ice on the cemetery pond, last night. Her feet passed over the hole and she sat down squarely in it, her head and feet saving her from going entirely through the ice. Her sudden cold bath was anything but a pleasant experience.

An O. and W. Creamery Burned.

The fine creamery of Frank McDermott, at Smyrna, on the O. and W., was burned, yesterday. Loss $7,000. Mr. McDermott owns a farm and creamery at Crystal Run, and is engaged in the milk business at 507 West Thirty-eighth street, New York.

Funeral of J. D. Gummerson.

The funeral of John D. Gummerson took place at the residence of W. H. DeKay, on Knapp avenue, at 8 o'clock last evening.

Rev. David Evans, rector of Grace Church, read the Episcopal burial service.

The body was taken on train 38, this morning, to Matteawan for burial.

The Modern Mother.

Has found that her little ones are improved more by the pleasant laxative. Syrup of Figs, when in need of the laxative effect of a gentle remedy than by any other, and that it is more acceptable to them. Children enjoy it and it benefits them. The true remedy, Syrup of Figs, is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co., only.

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INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN.

Meeting of Trustees—Death of William L. Avery—Birthday Party—Jubilee Concert.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—The village trustees held a regular meeting, last night. A number of bills were audited. The election of Michael Connors and Frank Hill as members of Dikeman Hose Company was approved and full service certificates were granted to Geo. A. Kipp, Henry L. Hill and Thos. Martin.

—Mrs. S. T. Matthews and daughter have gone to New York city for the winter.

—William L. Avery died at the residence of his parents on Greenwich street, this village, at 3 o'clock, this morning, aged thirty four years. He had been afflicted with consumption for some months, and, a short time ago, was compelled to give up a position which he had held for some years with the Rider Engine Co., of Walden, because of his bad health. His parents, wife, one child, two brothers and three sisters survive him. His funeral will be held Thursday.

—The Epworth League birthday party will be given in the M. E. Church parlors, Thursday night. A supper will be given and a musical programme rendered during the evening.

—The jubilee concert in aid of the A. U. M. P. Church will be given at Music Hall, on Thursday evening, Dec. 19th. Local colored talent, exclusively, will take part.

—Capt. Parker's bowling team won two straight games from Capt Drake's bowlers, last night. Mr. U. K. Miller, of the Parker team, made the highest score, rolling 214.

—Regular meeting and nomination of officers of Orange Lodge, I. O. O. F., will be held at 7:30 o'clock, this evening.

A House Burned in Goshen

From Our Goshen Correspondent.

A house belonging to John McLaughry, located near Ryerson's bridge, was burned to the ground, this morning. Owing to the distance from the village, the building was almost entirely consumed before the alarm was given.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Rebecca Redfield.

Mrs. Rebecca Redfield died in this city, Monday morning, at 6:30 o'clock, of heart failure, in her sixty-ninth year.

Her sufferings, though of the severest nature, were borne with the patience which was characteristic of her, in whose life the bright and happy hours were far outnumbered by those of clouds and sorrow.

She was married in October, 1854, to Weller Redfield, who died in Bloomingburgh a year ago. Over thirty five years ago she became a member of the Hopewell Presbyterian Church, and her life was consistent with her professions.

Mrs. Redfield was best known in the town of Crawford, as the most of her life was spent near Bullville in that town.

She is survived by three daughters, Anna, Agnes and Bella. Another daughter, Lizzie, died twelve years ago. Two sisters are also living, Mrs. Mary Mills, and Elizabeth, wife of John Goldsmith, both of this city.

The funeral, which in accordance with her request will be private, will be held, to-morrow, at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Mills. Her nephew, Rev. George B. Crawford, of Franklin Furnace, will officiate.

The pall bearers will also be nephews of the deceased. Frank, Royal and Perry Mills, and George Crawford.

The interment will be in Hillside Cemetery.

Newburgh Threatened With a Water Famine.

Newburgh's reservoir is down to within ten inches of the supply pipe, and the Water Commissioners voted, last night, to start the pumps.

Going Out of Business

Mr. Charles S. Cooper, the confectioner, has decided to give up business here and travel for a Chicago wholesale house.

To Inspect Captain Jackson Post.

Col. Joseph M. Leeper, of Newburgh, will inspect Capt. Jackson Post, G. A. R., at Odd Fellow Hall, this evening.

The O. and W. Excursion.

The morning and evening trains on the O. and W., yesterday, carried 552 excursionists to New York city.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers for biliousness, indigestion, constipation. A small pill, a prompt cure. W. D. Olney.

The Monhagen "Klam Klub."

The Monhagen Klam Klub had one of its characteristic "ears" at the truck house, last evening. These gatherings are very popular among the members of the hose company.

A Work of Art.

The Great A. & P. Tea Company's new panel, "Baby's First Toys," is one of the finest lithographs ever given out as a souvenir by the company.

"Sewing Bees" Again Popular.

"Sewing bees" are becoming very popular with the young ladies of this city. One was held last week at the home of the Misses Mills on Highland avenue and one will be held, tomorrow, at the home of Miss Agnes Macardell.

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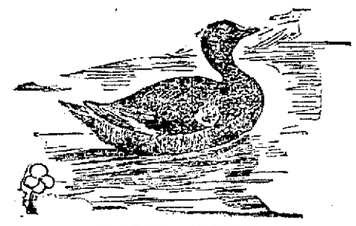

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WIGGLESWORTH GETS UP.

There Is a Cry of "Fire!" and He Nobly Responds.

The cry of "Fire!" heard in the still house at night smites the ear with startling force and sickens the hearts of the property owners.

Apparently not appreciating this fact, a bibulous gentleman, faring uncertainly past the darkened house of Wigglesworth, lifted the upper part of his head with a hiccoughing gesture and projected his voice in a strident shriek:

"Fire!"

He then whooped once or twice and disappeared on the horizon.

"Ellery!" cried Mrs. Wigglesworth, sitting up in bed.

"Wummpuhhm?" Mr. Wigglesworth incoherently answered.

"Get up—get up at once!" called his wife, shaking him violently. "There's a fire!"

With one bound the half wakened Wigglesworth was in the middle of the room clawing for his garments.

"What ye done with my clothes?" he exclaimed, waving his arms around in the darkness.

"They're on the chair, right where you left them," responded Mrs. Wigglesworth, making the answer that a wife always makes. "Oh, Ellery! Where do you suppose it is?"

"How do I know?" answered Mr. Wigglesworth restily. "I hung it right on the bedpost when I undressed."

"I don't mean that," said Mrs. Wigglesworth. "I mean the fire. Where do you think, Ellery?"

"Where do I think?" repeated Mr. Wigglesworth, impaling himself on a bayonet belonging to the rocking chair and lifting his voice into a shriek. "Where does anybody think that knows anything? Oh, my foot, my foot!"

"What ails your foot?" asked Mrs. Wigglesworth, straining her eyes through the darkness.

"What ails it?" howled Mr. Wigglesworth, picking up his poor, maimed member and hopping about the room with it.

"What yo s'pose? Think it's got the measles, don't ye? Who put that rocking chair 'side of my bed?"

"It isn't beside the bed," returned Mrs. Wigglesworth earnestly. "It's way over by the window."

"I know better!" yelled her husband. "I got right out of bed, and the very first thing it up and kicked me! Oh, my foot, my foot!" And he rocked to and fro, moaning.

"Can't you put something on it?" suggested Mrs. Wigglesworth in a voice of sympathy.

"Put something on it!" snapped Mr. Wigglesworth angrily. "Ain't that what I've been trying to do? Think I'm going out barefooted? Where ye hid my stockings?"

"They're on the bureau," said Mrs. Wigglesworth.

"What ye put 'em there for?" growled Mr. Wigglesworth, and he crawled across the floor. Bringing his head in contact with the washstand, he broke forth afresh.

"Can't ye get out of bed and light that lamp?" he cried. "Think I want to go prowling round here till sunrise, knocking off things with my head?"

Mrs. Wigglesworth, thus adjured, tottered with a woman's unerring instinct to the bureau and broke a lamp chimney.

"That's the way!" said her husband fiercely. "Put the pieces over here, where I can step on 'em!"

"There's another one in the bathroom," Mrs. Wigglesworth replied.

When she got back with it and cast its rays about the room, a scene of desolation was made manifest. Mr. Wigglesworth had thrust himself into a pair of bicycle trousers belonging to Willie, one arm was invested in his wife's spring cloak, and he sat in the center of a great array of debris, which, by the centripetal force of his hasty journeying, had been gathered in the middle of the apartment.

"Oh, Ellery," wailed Mrs. Wigglesworth, appalled by the sight presented to her view, "what have you been doing?"

"What have I been doing?" repeated her husband, looking himself over with strong disgust. "I'd like to have the answers to correspondents man find out! Whose trousers are these?" he yelled, noting the garment's extreme brevity. "What kind of a thing's this?" he added, plucking off the spring cloak and stamping on it.

"Why," said Mrs. Wigglesworth, "that is my cloak, you know, and those are Willie's bicycle trousers."

"Well," exclaimed Mr. Wigglesworth, savagely, "what ye got me dressed up in 'em for? What ye think it is, a masquerade ball?"

"I—I was taking them up attic," meekly replied Mrs. Wigglesworth, "to put away for winter, you know. I only laid them on the bureau overnight. I don't see how you got them way on the other side of the room so."

"I tell ye they was right here on my chair," bullied Mr. Wigglesworth, "just where I left my other things when I blew out the light. Ye changed 'em, that's what ye did."

"How could I?" protested his wife. "You came to bed last."

"That's it—that's the way to argue!" snarled Mr. Wigglesworth. "Mean to say I did it prodigy. Got up in my sleep likely, and went round changing 'em. Wigglesworth, the great sleep walker. Remarkable instance of hypnotism. Substitutes a pair of bicycle pants and appears in public. Going to write it up for the papers, ain't ye?"

Meantime he was shuffling out of the offending regalia and gradually accumulating, with the assistance of his wife, his accustomed wardrobe. The vest was in the bathroom, the stockings on the bureau, one of them having got involved with a comb, and his other shoe was produced after much thoughtful cogitation by Mrs. Wigglesworth, from the library, where her husband had slipped it off early in the evening for the ease of a familiar corn.

The slow movement of the types is not adequate to express the hurried action which characterized this vaudeville performance. Over all impended the weird, uncertain knowledge that somewhere in town valuable property—perhaps Mr. Wigglesworth's own—was going up in flame and smoke.

"Got out!" he cried as his wife pressed a necktie upon him. "What yo s'pose I went that for?"

"You haven't got any cuffs," pleaded Mrs. Wigglesworth.

"Cuffs nothing!" snorted her husband. "What ye think it is, a governor's reception? Think it's a church sociable with pie, don't ye?"

"Hark!" exclaimed Mrs. Wigglesworth. "I thought I heard the fire engines. Is it the engines, Ellery?"

"Course it is!" he replied, hurrying into his coat. "Think it's an ice cream wagon this time of night? Get out the way, there!"

With a parting roar of excitement Mr. Wigglesworth tore down the front stairs and with a whoop went clattering up the street. A policeman leaned against a neighboring fence, thinking.

"Where's the fire?" ejaculated Mr. Wigglesworth, puffing violently.

"Wot fire's this?" the policeman calmly made reply.

When Mr. Wigglesworth had slowly remounted the stairs, his breath was in a measure come back to him.

"Is it out?" anxiously queried his wife. Mr. Wigglesworth silently snatched off his clothes and got into bed.

"Where was it, Ellery?" persisted Mrs. Wigglesworth.

Mr. Wigglesworth dashed both his fists into his pillow, and for an instant the room lit up with a lurid flash.

"Why, Ellery," sobbed Mrs. Wigglesworth, "I should think you would be ashamed to use such language!"—W. O. Fuller, Jr., in New York Recorder.

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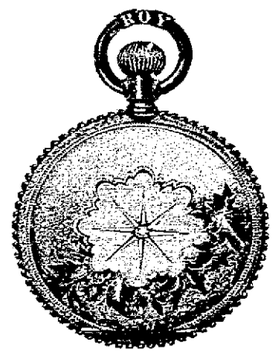

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"Wot fire's this?" the policeman calmly made reply.

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"Is it out?" anxiously queried his wife. Mr. Wigglesworth silently snatched off his clothes and got into bed.

"Where was it, Ellery?" persisted Mrs. Wigglesworth.

Mr. Wigglesworth dashed both his fists into his pillow, and for an instant the room lit up with a lurid flash.

"Why, Ellery," sobbed Mrs. Wigglesworth, "I should think you would be ashamed to use such language!"—W. O. Fuller, Jr., in New York Recorder.

MAJOR LOTHAIRE, THE LOFEMBI.

The Belgian Who Is to Be Court Martialed For Hanging a British Trader.

Human life is cheap in darkest Africa. The native chiefs slaughter their people as if they were cattle. The heartless Arab slave traders murder a dozen captives as coolly as they would shoot a deer for dinner. Even the Europeans who have been sent to Africa to aid the Kongo Free State in suppressing the slave trade make slaves of the warlike natives who oppose them and treat their captives with barbarity. All about them human life is cheap, and they unconsciously take the same view. A case in point is that of Major Lothaire, the intrepid Belgian officer who recently hanged a British trader named Stokes because he was selling arms and ammunition to the natives in the Kongo country. Lothaire is doubtless sorry now that he was so ready with the fatal rope. The Kongo Free State has repudiated

MAJOR LOTHAIRE.

his action, and he is to be court martialed for the offense because the hanging is held to have been unjustified.

Lothaire is described as "one of the most gentlemanly officials on the upper Kongo." He is handsome, courageous and energetic, and the natives have a wholesome respect for his prowess. He is a rigid disciplinarian, and when the warlike natives hear that he is at the head of an expedition designed to punish them for some cruel deed they promptly take to the woods. They call him Lofembi, the name that is borne by a murderous tribe south of the Kongo horseshoe. As prairie farmers fight fire with fire so the dreaded Lofembi checkmurder with murder. Most of his pitiless reprisals are due to the obstinate manner in which the natives resent the introduction of laws designed to limit their slave dealing propensities and to put an end to the murderous customs that were universal on the Kongo only a few years ago.

"The world" is a conventional phrase, which, being interpreted, signifies all the rascality in it.—Dickens.

Treasurer Upton's Request.

Mrs. Harriet Taylor Upton, as treasurer, has sent out her annual letter, reminding the members of the N. A. W. S. A. that their contributions are now due. Accompanying this letter, Mrs. Upton has sent a printed slip which reads as follows: "Do you not know some fellow to woman's political advancement who may not care to take an active part in local, state or national work, and who would become a member of the National American society if you ask it personally or sent her the pamphlet or one of the constitutions? Will you not try to get one contributing member? Will every member act on this suggestion?"

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Teacher—And what is meant by keeping the Sabbath holy?

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DRAWING OF JURORS.

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GOSHEN, N. Y., Dec 11th, 1895.

Notice is hereby given that a panel of Grand and Petit Jurors, to serve at a Circuit Court and Court of Oyer and Terminer, to be held in and for the county of Orange, at the Court House in Goshen, on the first Monday of January, 1896, will be drawn at this office on Dec. 19th, 1895, at 9 o'clock a. m.

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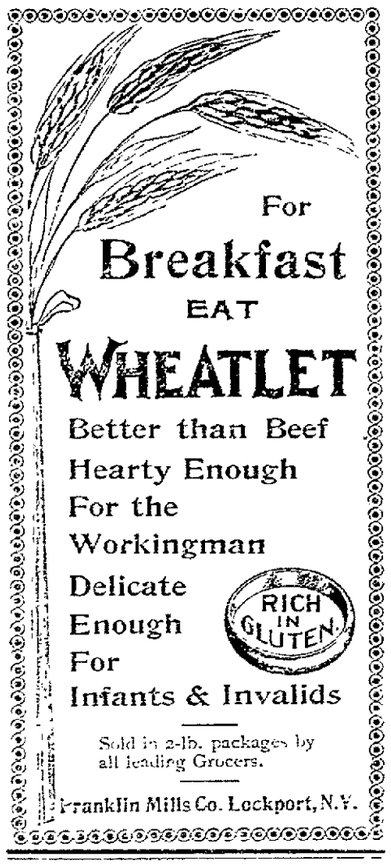

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SURROGATE'S Court, Orange county—In the matter of the sale of the real estate of Chauncey L. Winfield, deceased, for payment of his debts.

In pursuance of an order and decree of the Surrogate's Court of the county of Orange, duly made and entered on the 9th day of October, 1895, the undersigned, the executor of the will of said deceased, will sell at public sale, to the highest bidder, the certain real property belonging to the estate of Chauncey L. Winfield, deceased, at the dwelling house and store room on the premises hereinafter described, in the village of Unionville, Orange county, N. Y., on Wednesday, January 15, 1896, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day.

The said real estate to be sold, as aforesaid, is bounded and described as follows, to wit:

All of that certain tract and parcel of land situate, lying and being in the village of Unionville, in said town of Minisink, bounded and bounded as follows: Beginning at the south corner of lot number five (5) on said village map, and from thence running (1) south twenty-two and one quarter degrees west three chains (3) south sixty-seven and three-quarter degrees east one chain and fifty links to the place of beginning, containing thirty-three square rods of land, being the same premises conveyed by William Van Sickle and Rebecca D. Orgie Foster, now deceased, by deed bearing date March 21st, 1868, and being the same premises described and conveyed in a certain deed from William H. Foster and others to the said Robert Carr, bearing date June 2, 1868, and recorded in Orange county records in liber 189 page 451, &c.

The premises hereby conveyed is the following part of the above described premises situate, lying and being in the village of Unionville aforesaid, to wit: Minisink—Bounded and described as follows: Commencing at the point of the highway, and at the termination of the third course above mentioned, and running thence southwesterly along said course to a point three feet from the rear corner of the building used as a hardware store and thence northwesterly on a course parallel with the rear and said building and three feet therefrom, to a point one and one half feet from the westerly side thereof; thence north easterly on a course parallel with said building and one and one half feet therefrom to the centre of the highway; and thence southeasterly along the centre of said highway to the place of beginning of said third course, containing more or less land. Being the same premises this day conveyed by the said Nathan F. Smith, as executor of, etc., to the said Chauncey L. Winfield.

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BISHOP ROWE OF ALASKA.

The New Diocese of the Episcopal Church and Its First Presiding Officer.

Missionary work on snowshoes in a wild country will not be a new experience for the Rev Peter T. Rowe, who was elected missionary bishop of the new diocese, Alaska, at the recent general convention of the Protestant Episcopal church and who was still more recently consecrated to the episcopate in New York. Bishop Rowe did his first work for the church among the Indians along the north shore of Lake Huron. For five years after entering the ministry he was stationed at the Indian reservation at Garden River, Ont., and on the islands of St. Joseph and Cockburn. In the summer he did nearly all his traveling in small boats and during the winter sped over the deep snow on snowshoes while making his visits as missionary.

BISHOP ROWE.

In July, 1884, he was appointed to the mission at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., and upon arriving at his new charge found but six communicants. He devoted himself faithfully to the work of building up the mission at the Sault and also established numerous other missions in the surrounding region, interesting himself in the educational and social as well as religious circles of his charge. For several years he was chosen commissioner of education and superintendent of schools for the county of Chippewa. He was very popular among the people regardless of creed. He is an extremely well educated man, and among his other accomplishments speaks six languages fluently.

Few clergymen are more interested in secret society work than Bishop Rowe. He is a prominent Odd Fellow, Mason and Knight of Pythias and is said to be a member of a dozen other similar societies. He was born in Toronto, Nov. 20, 1856, was graduated from the University of Toronto, of which he is master of arts, in 1878, and was admitted to the priesthood in 1880.

New Stars.

The supposed unchanging face of the sky has impressed the minds of both the civilized and uncivilized races of humanity since time out of memory. To the popular mind the thousands of shining points of light which stud "heaven's azure canopy" when the angels "entwin this sleeping world" are the symbols of immutability, of immortality and of eternity.

We speak of them "shining on forever" and of their "unerring cycles," but astronomers know that such planetary bodies are not "unerring," that they have not always existed, and that in all probability they will not last forever. Observations that have been made since astronomy became recognized as one of the "exact sciences" prove that stars are subject to crises—to ups and downs—just the same as are earthly things. They have been seen to burn up and disappear like a whiff of vapor. Others have been known to fly off at a tangent and in an hour be millions of miles from the place they had occupied since the dawn of civilization. There are whole sections of the sky now "in the" that were once occupied with stars of different magnitudes. On the contrary, new stars have frequently burst into view. The most prominent of these are the one that appeared in 130 B. C., the one which in 1572 sprung up in Cassiopeia and which outshone Venus for a time; the one which appeared in the northern crown in 1866, and the temporary stars of 1876, 1885 and 1892. —St. Louis Republic.

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Main St.	7 45	10 55	....	....	6 10	6 52	....
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SOUTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	6 * New York Exp	42 Norwich Exp	14 Delhi Exp	50 Loom	2 Day Exp	10 * Milk	
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* Stop for meals.

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*Daily. ‡Sundays only. †Except Sunday. b. Stops for passengers to Binghamton and beyond.

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THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN ANNUAL SESSION.

To Bond Warwick for Bridges—Report on St Mary's Home—Apportionment of Fines—The Employment of Prisoners—Many Citizens Advocate the Work House System—To Publish the Session Laws.

GOSHEN, Dec. 17.—All the members were present at the opening of the session.

A resolution authorizing the printing and binding of the laws passed by the Board from 1883 to 1895, was passed.

An act to bond the town of Warwick for bridge purposes was referred to the Law Committee.

Mr. Goodsell, chairman of the committee to visit St. Mary's Home, Port Jervis, reported that they visited the home, Oct. 3rd, and found everything in most excellent condition. There were forty-four children in the Home who were public charges.

The committee to apportion justices' fines reported as follows: Newburgh city, $62; Middletown, $16; Deerpark, $5; Goshen, $3; Tuxedo, $3; Blooming Grove, $5.

The work house system for the employment of prisoners convicted of crime was the special order for the afternoon. The discussion was opened by Mr. Loughran who outlined the report of the committee.

Dr. J. H. Thompson, of Goshen, said that some thirty-five years ago he had suggested to the Supervisors the advisability of employing the prisoners. The suggestion was made because his experience as jail physician had shown him the evil effects of idleness and promiscuous association of prisoners.

Ex-Senator Richardson suggested that if any present were opposed to the motion they speak first. Although there was a large number of citizens present not a voice was raised in opposition to the scheme and Mr. Richardson then spoke in favor of employing convicts on the roads.

Mr. James M. Bull, a prominent farmer, favored employing the prisoners. The expense for tools and guards would not be great and the resulting benefits would be worth all the expense that would have to be incurred.

Mr. Charles F. Johnson, of Goshen, who was at one time a member of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey, said that he had spent twenty-five years of his business life at Passaic, near Paterson, and that about thirty years ago the workhouse system was first introduced in that vicinity, inexpensively at first. The taxpayers found themselves burdened with the support of the prisoners. They appealed to the Legislature for relief. A warden was appointed. The board of prisoners previously had cost them $3 50 per week. At the end of the first year the warden submitted his report, and they found that with the income derived from the prisoners the cost of maintenance was but $1 25 per week, and in addition to this there is no place in the State with better roads than those upon which the convict labor was placed. The cost of board of prisoners now at Paterson is not more than $1 25 per week, and reasoning from this Mr. Johnson said that the establishment of this system need not be expensive here.

Police Justice Sweezy, of Goshen, said that every night from Nov. 1st to May 1st eight or ten tramps lodged in the Goshen lockup. Many of them wanted to be sent to jail, but he never granted their requests. If the work house system was in force the tramp nuisance could be abated.

Mr. Nearpass said that in 1877 or '78, when tramps were numerous, the Supervisors authorized the towns to erect buildings and employ tramps in breaking stone. The law was never carried into effect, for the State law was not up to the county law, but the knowledge that such a law had been passed helped to rid the county of tramps.

Rev. R. B. Clark, pastor of the Goshen Presbyterian Church, spoke in favor of employing prisoners on the highways.

Mr. Clarence G. Seward, of Wawayanda, spoke briefly but very much to the point, saying that he did not believe there was any economy in keeping an able-bodied man idle, and that no able-bodied man had a right to eat, drink and sleep at his expense.

Mr. A. B. Hulse, of Monroe, believed in setting the prisoners at work, but not on the highways. He did not believe in making them break stone with a hammer. There was inspiration in a crusher but none in a hammer. And what about the women prisoners? "New women" might break stone, but all the prisoners were not "new women."

This ended the discussion, and the matter was made a special order for Tuesday afternoon, at 2.30 o'clock.

At the opening of the Board, this afternoon, the printing of the Session Laws was given to the Middletown *Press* and the Goshen *Independent Republican*. Both parties went into caucus on this question.

An adjournment was taken until Tuesday, at 11 a. m.

Rheumatism is caused by lactic acid in the blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla neutralizes this acid and cures rheumatism.

CHESTER.

The Hose Company's Election—Will Enlarge His Creamery—Fined—Death of Edson Dolston—Sale of a Store Building—Fine Skating—Personal and Other Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—At the annual election of Walton Hose Co, held Dec. 10th, the following officers were elected:

Foreman—Theo. A. Miller.
First Assistant—John Proctor.
Second " —Fred Wilkin.
Third " —Dudley Rutan.
Secretary—Joseph Noonan.
Asst. Sec'y—Henry Duryea.
President—E. W Kerner.
Vice-President—R. C. Conklin.
Treasurer—G. M. Roe.
Trustee (3 yrs.)—E. Denny.
Chaplain—R M. Stratton.

—Chas. Tuthill, of Elmira, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Thomas Bryan.

—W. A. Lawrence has plans out for an addition to his creamery at West Chester.

—James Redner, Jr., was before Police Justice Conklin, Dec. 14, and was fined $10 or ten days. He paid the fine.

—J. W. Browne has moved in Theo. A. Miller's house on Walnut street.

—Smith Decker and wife, of Warwick, are visiting D. W. Miller.

—Edson Dolston, of Sugar Loaf, died Saturday morning, Dec. 14th, aged forty-four years.

—School will close Dec. 27th and re-open Jan. 6th.

—Theo. A. Miller has bought Harry Storms' house on Hambletonian avenue. Price $2 200.

—Mrs. Geo. W. Fredericks visited friends at New York, last week.

—Chester was well represented at Glenmere Lake, Saturday. The skating was fine.

—Chester Lodge, K. of P., No. 363, will change its meeting night from Tuesday to Thursday, after Jan. 1st.

—Walton Hose Co. will have another entertainment this week.

—There will be a Christmas tree at Mrs. Hiram Tuthill's for the children of St. Paul's mission.

—John Maloy, Jr, has rented Mrs. Cooley's house on Meadow avenue, for three years. Mrs. Cooley and family will leave for New York, Monday morning, where they will make their future home.

SOUTH CENTREVILLE.

The Presbyterian Fair.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Do not forget the date of the Presbyterian fair, in the hall, Thursday and Friday evenings, Dec. 19th and 20th. A good entertainment will be given each evening, and oysters and other refreshments will be served. A fine line of fancy articles will be for sale. The wonderful "Lab r Song" will be rendered on Friday evening. Admission ten cents. All are invited to attend.

PINE BUSH.

A Boy's Sudden Death.

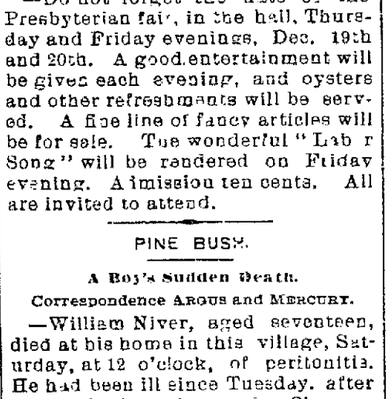
Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—William Niver, aged seventeen, died at his home in this village, Saturday, at 12 o'clock, of peritonitis. He had been ill since Tuesday, after a long skating trip on the Shawangunk Kill. Drs. Sebring, of this village, and Dr. Elliott, of Montgomery attended him, but their services were of no avail. William was the eldest of three sons of a widowed mother. He had been the newsboy of this village for a long time, and was well liked by all his patrons.

WURTSBORO.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The three act drama, "The Pride of Company G," will be given at Dorrance Hall, Wurtsboro, on Friday and Saturday evenings, Dec. 20th and 21st. Admission ten cents; reserved seats fifteen cents extra. Vocal and instrumental music between acts. Proceeds for benefit of the Reformed Sunday School. A cordial invitation is extended to all.



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UNIONVILLE.

The Scarcity of Water—Dusty Roads—Out Again—The Busy Silk Mill—That Boulevard—Christmas at the M. E. Church—At the Pumping Station.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The continued dry weather is proving a very serious matter to farmers. The ponds and small streams are in some cases frozen to the bottom, and cattle have to be driven long distances for water.

—The country roads are in fine condition, but quite dusty, in fact more like roads in summer.

—Mr. D. V. Myers, who has been confined to his house for the last four or five weeks, was able to attend church, Sunday.

—M. B. Austin and daughter, Edna, of Ridgebury, spent Sunday in town.

—Business at the silk mill is booming. The dye house is about completed, and two new looms and other machinery will be added soon.

—Mr. Edwards' new house on First avenue is about completed, and will be ready for occupancy Jan. 1st.

—E. V. R. Gardner is still agitating that 100-foot boulevard from Middletown to Newton.

—A Christmas cantata will be given in the Methodist Church, Christmas night, in connection with a Christmas tree. Persons wishing to give their friends presents can have them distributed from the tree. An admission fee of fifteen cents will be charged.

—The water at the pumping station holds out well, but the fountains do not flow quite as energetically as when first tapped.

AMITY.

Singing Class Organized—A Wedding.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—At the meeting, held last Thursday evening, a singing class was organized by the election of the following offices: President, G. H. Walling; Secretary, Chas. Feagles; Treasurer, E. D. Waterbury. The school will be held on Wednesday evenings.

—Mr. Chas. F. Walling, one of the most promising young men of this place, was married to Miss Minnie Clark, of Westtown, last Wednesday, at her home. We extend our congratulations. Mr. and Mrs. Walling will reside in Amity after January 1st., where he will engage in the mercantile business.

UP THE MIDLAND.

Anxious for Sleighing—Too Cold for Grasshoppers' Eggs.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Our lumbermen and wood haulers are on the anxious seat, owing to the lack of snow. Many of the acid factories are now kept running only by hauling wood on wagons, always a very expensive method of handling heavy material at the best on good roads, and these factories are seldom in localities where good roads abound.

—The ground is now frozen solid to a depth of a foot, and the cold has been more intense than usual at this time of the year. While the frost is pretty tough on meadows and winter grain, it must surely settle the grasshopper question for another year, as there is no possible chance for their eggs to survive such steady cold weather without a covering of snow.

RUSTICUS.

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TO LET—The store room No 9 West Main street, has of late been occupied as a confectionery store. Suitable for any moderate business. 13dtf S. M. BOYD, 16 East Main street.

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Proposals for Electric Lighting.

Bids will be received for additional Electric Lighting at the Middletown State Homeopathic Hospital, Middletown, N. Y., up to noon January 4th, 1896. Specifications may be seen at the office of said Hospital and at the office of the State Commission in Lunacy in Albany, N. Y. FrMoWd1t Jan4 S. H. TALCOTT, Med. Supt.

Town of Wallkill--Collector's Notice

Having received the warrant for the collection of taxes, I will receive the same at my residence, one half mile west of Montagen Lake for thirty days, commencing Dec. 16th from 9 a. m. until 3 p. m., except the following days: Tuesdays, Dec. 24, 31, Jan. 7, 14, at First National Bank, Middletown; Thursday, Jan. 2, store of John E. Hatch, Scotchtown Friday, Jan. 3, hotel of Tom Heuesy, Circleville; Thursday, Jan. 9th, hotel of Theo. King, Howells.

ALBERT MAPES, Collector Town of Wallkill. d4.17sw1mJan13

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